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Better uses for funds

In response to the press release in the Bungendore Mirror titled 'B'dore Park plan on exhibition,' I feel the need to make comment on the park proposal as part of the greater master plan and framework.

The expanded pathway project sounds like a brilliant use of ratepayers hard earnings, as would completing gutters on numerous streets in the direct vicinity of the Council chambers. In fact, a solar heated pool with multiple BBQ settings and an expanded sports pavilion would accommodate for a fast growing population too.

Given the weather conditions in Bungendore, three fifths of the year perhaps, an indoor heated facility would see great use by the many young families

now living in Bungendore.

The iconic trees dying in the vicinity of the park have been stressed by a number of factors which careful planning may have avoided. No amount of watering is going to bring back those two pines who are all but covered in asphalt. It is true they pose a danger at times, as do swooping magpies and resident galah droppings, essentially their home before world class amenities appeared.

We need to ensure that progress doesn't slip to regress, so hopefully the iconic pines legacy and future will live on beyond that of the inevitable fate of becoming underfoot tan bark.

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